

AD HOC COMMITTEE CRYSTAL LAKE MILFOIL COMMITTEE

Special Meeting Minutes
July 29, 2009

MEMBERS PRESENT: Monique Burns, Bill Merson, Dave Arzt, Jeanne Burns, Rodger Hosig

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Jack Turner

CALL TO ORDER:

Dave Arzt, Ad Hoc Chairmen called meeting to order at 7:40 p.m. at the Town Hall 55 Main Street, Ellington, Ct.

CITIZEN FORUM: None

APPROVAL OF MINUTES: None

START-UP REVIEW

Jeanne Burns stated that WERM has signed the contract but she has not received the insurance form from Jason (WERM President), With receipt of the insurance form by Friday, the Contract will be signed by Mike Stupinski sign the contract. Jack stated that without the insurance certificate WERM would not be able to start suction harvesting on Monday.

Jeanne also stated that Jason has a person who is interested in purchasing the milfoil before it is transported to the Hoffman Road dump area. Rodger stated that the milfoil once removed from the lake is technically WERM's and any purchase from an outside party should be coordinated with WERM. Jack stated that transportation and purchase of the milfoil, if it occurs, must be legal. The town will not participate in anything that is not above board.

Bill Merson asked if he could be reimbursed for the fuel he will be using in his boat while he monitors WERM'S activities. Discussion ensued.

MOVED (R. HOSIG) SECONDED (J.BURNS) TO REIMBURSE BILL MERSON FOR FUEL USED DURING HIS CONTRACT ADMINISTRATIO OF THE MILFOIL SUCTION HARVESTING PROGRAM PENDING APPROVAL FROM NICK DECORLETTO, TOWN OF ELLINGTON FINANCE DIRECTOR.

TASK UPDATE:

1. Jeanne stated that Channel 3 news may attend the media day we have scheduled on August 4, 2009 at the Town beach on Rte. 140 so long as no other pressing news occurs.
2. Monique Burns contact the Journal Inquirer and they said they would publish an article about the program in Saturday's paper and attend the media day.
3. Dave Arzt stated that WERM's trailer can be stored at the Town beach. However, Jeanne stated that WERM has received permission to keep the trailer at the camp ground they will be staying at during the project.
4. Bill Merson stated the Tax exempt form will be released to WERM when the contract has been signed by both parties.
5. Rodger Hosig stated that he got a quote to make signs for placement at the boat launch for \$51.00. It was agreed if permission could be given by Bob Tedford, Town Parks and Recreation Director, one sign would be installed at the boat launch area and one sign would

be installed at the Town Beach. These signs would say "Public Notice, The Town of Ellington Milfoil Removal Program August 3 – August 28, 2009". The Town of Ellington Web site and Crystal Lake Web site address would also be on the signs.

COMMITTEE MEMBER QUESTIONS:

Jeanne asked if we should have some form of presentation planned for media day. Discussion ensued. It was decided that Dave, Mike and Jack would speak a few words regarding this program as to who, what, where, when, and why this program is taking place and answer any questions the media might have. A jar with live milfoil and the boards used at the July Crystal Lake Association meeting will be on display during the event.

TASK ASSIGNMENT:


1. Jeanne Burns will contact Channel 61 and invite them to media day, call Kathy Green and ask permission to hang the sign on her fence at the boat launch, get a plastic jug for Bill to use for a display of live milfoil for media day, write a letter to Sergeant Konieczny. informing him of the milfoil suction harvesting program, and finalize insurance with WERM.
2. Rodger will purchase the signs.
3. Jack Turner will pick up the signs and install them after permission has been received.
4. Bill Merson will talk with Bob Tedford about holding media day at the beach and installing the signs at the beach. Per Jack Turner's recommendation, Bill will also obtain a payment voucher form from the office of finance so that he can be reimbursed for his fuel use.
5. Dave discussed the proposal that WERM gave the committee regarding installation of the blankets at the pond. Funding for this will come out of the monies for water monitoring. Since WERM will be working over the next two weeks it was decided that it would be more effective to have them install the blankets while they were here.

A special meeting has been scheduled for August 4, 2009 at the Ellington Town Hall at 7:30pm.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOVED (J. BURNS), SECONDED (R. Hosig) AND PASSED UNANIMOUSLY TO ADJOURN THIS MEETING AT 9:15 P.M.

Respectfully Submitted,


Monique G. Burns